# A KOHALA REPORT

### History of Girls' School at That Place.

Efforts to Raise an Engowment Fung-Dressmaking Department Established.

Following is the report of Miss May Bell Truett, principal of the Kohala Girls' School, to the Hawaiian Evangelical Association for the year ealing June 30, 1899:

REPORT OF KOHALA GIRLS'
SCHOOL.

Miss May Bell Truett, principal; Miss Annie B. Clapperton, primary and music teacher; Miss Grace Garnett, teach er of intermediate grades; Miss I. Renwick, matron; Mrs. B. H. Deemer, sew ing teacher; Miss A. Patseu, teacher of native work.

Our school opened Monday, September 5, with an average number of stu-dents and a faculty the same as that of last year. Our enrollment this year is 37. Seven of these girls are entirely information concerning the origin and supported by parents, 19 partly supported by parents or guardians, and 11 are paid for by friends and societies who are interested in the school.

It is pleasant, in looking over our year's work, to see how many are in-terested in us, and to know that many of these have helped us for several past years. Hon. C. R. Bishop, the Central Union Sunday School, the H. M. C. S., the Kohala King's Daughters, Mrs. M. S. Rice, Mr. H. Waterhouse Mr. C. M. Cooke, and Mr. Dodge have contributed generously towards our support. We have also been aided by gifts from many kind friends both in Honolulu and Kohala.

We have been striving to make manual training as much of a feature of our work as possible, and at last feel that the basis for much of the work is fairly laid. We have regular classes in native work; that is, the making of hats, mats, fans, baskets, etc., from bamboo and lauhala. The girls are taking great interest in this work, and are expecting to make exhibitions of the same in Honolulu and Hilo. One of our girls teaches this native work two days in the week at Ainakea School. We are hoping that all the Government schools in this district may be allowed to adopt this work, for we have girls competent and anxious

A dressmaking department, which his health. we have so long needed, is at last a which the Kohala King's Daughters so been teaching in the Hilo Boarding kindly remembered us this year, has School for Boys, as principal, with one proved to be a most useful gift. Mrs. assistant teacher, and Rev. S. C. Lu-Deemer came to us in May, and so we hiau as assistant in charge of the man-Deemer came to us in May, and so we hope to get this department in working order before school closes. It cannot fail to be a great incentive to our glad of an opportunity to learn any thing which will make them independent. Some of our girls have gone out sewing and some cooking this year. All have done well.

Our Christian Endeavor Society still helpfulness in many ways. The girls are at present busy with their committee reports, which they hope to send to Honolulu, that they may be repre-sented at the Christian Endeavor con-

spoken to our girls at the Sunday evening meetings. Mr. Kekuewa speaks to our girls every Monday morning at prayers, and helps us in this way, as he has for several past years. Mr. Kong Tet Yin is at present also coming each week at prayer-tim to speak to the Chinese girls.

Our girls still study native Bible-reading and have shown a marked improvement in that line. We have many pleasant times to look

back upon this past year. Brightest of these stands out the happy Christmas time, when we were again enabled through kind friends, to give our girls a Christmas tree. Through the efforts of the Kohala King's Daughters, we were able not only to remember the girls of our own school with gifts at this time, but also all the children of the native church, so it was truly happy time for each and every one.

Our greatest effort, perhaps, of the year, has been to raise an endowment for our school. Our first idea in regard to this was that it should be an endowment for furthering the industrial work, but afterwards it was thought best not to so limit the use of the money. The school is much in need of being placed on a firmer finan-cial basis, and we hope to accomplish this by means of our circulars. Thes circulars, which we commenced send-ing out in January, read as follows: To the Friends of Education, Greeting:

We, the undersigned board of mana gers and teachers of the Kohala Girls school, beg leave to present the follow ing statement for your careful consid-

This school, which is conducted un der the auspices of the Board of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association, is the oldest and most important board-ing-school for Hawaiian girls on the Island of Hawaii. It was established by Rev. Elias Bond in 1875, and has sent out many well-trained young women. It gives its pupils-varying in number from forty to sixty-the usual course of study found in the public schools with the added advantage of Christian culture, and training in cooking, sewing, laundry and general housework. Its object has ever been to give Hawaiian girls such an educa-tion as would best fit them, not only to earn a living, but also to be of serv-

ce to their race.

The school has thus far been largely a coplependent for its support on the benov-koku

olence of a few. Its small endowment should be increased to at least \$50,-000. This would place it on a firmer basis, increase its appliances, and so enlarge its usefulness

We, therefore, the teachers and board of managers, make an earnest appeal to all who are interested in the advancement of the Hawaiian race, for aid in raising this fund.

Will you contribute to it?
Funds may be sent to the following addresses: Frank H. Wiggins, Esq., No. 14 Beacon street, Boston, Mass.; Rev. W. Frear, Y. M. C. A. building. San Francisco, Cal.; Rev. A. N. Hitchcock, Ph.D. accept. A. R. C. E. M. Chi. cock, Ph.D., agent A. B. C. F. M., Chi-cago, Ill.; Mr. W. W. Hall, Honolulu, Oahu; Mr. E. C. Bond, Kohala, Hawali. Signed: May Bell Truett, principal; Grace Garnett, Annie B. Clapperton,

Isabelle Renwick, Annie Patseu, teach-Signed: B. D. Bond, M.D.: Emma R. Bond, E. C. Bond, John Hind, Helen H. Renton, board of managers.

The above circular is authorized by the Board of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association.

A. F. JUDD, President.
O. P. EMERSON, Corresponding Secretary.

Honolulu, December 6, 1898. In addition to the circular, we have also sent out in some cases, a bit of the history of our school, which Mr. E. C. Bond has thus written:

"In response to a request for some will state as follows:

"It is my impression that the school originated in the demand of the time for schools that would give to the Hawaiian girls a higher and broader education than was available at the public schools, and probably ir an acceptation of the adage that the character of a nation depends largely on the character of its mothers. What other influences may have combined with these for the inception of the school,

I am unable to say.
"The building operations must have begun about the middle of the year 1874. It will be noted that this was previous to the passage of the reciprocity treaty; consequently previous to the time of prosperity which followed that event.

"Money was scarce and mechanics were not readily secured. A carpenter was found to undertake the building, but the work must be pushed, and, with characteristic force, Rev. Ellas Bond, at that time pastor of the native church and founder of the school, devoted his unstinted energies, body and soul, from early dawn to the darkening hours of evening, to the speedy accomplishment of the work, in the capacity of laboring mechanic and overseer, in a manner that seriously injured and permanently undermined

"The school opened December 1, The sewing machine, with 1874, with Miss E. W. Lyons, who had been teaching in the Hilo Boarding ual labor department, which at that time consisted in keeping the grounds in order, and preparing the native food girls. These native girls are always after Hawaiian methods. Father Bond conducted the business affairs of the school and held, the general supervision. The principal was conscientious and faithful to the discharge of the responsibilities devolving upon her.

"In three years from the time of its holds its usual meetings. The society opening, the pupils numbered 55 to 60, has grown and extended its work this being the full capacity of the accomyear, and proved its usefulness and modations. But the corps of assistants was at times inadequate, and at the close of the term in October, 1882, she resigned, which resulted in closing the school for a term of years.

"In 1889, after fruitless endeavors We have been much helped this year the agency of friends, to secure anothby the many kind friends who have er principal—which may be noted as an indication that teachers for schools were not as readily available as at the hiti we go to the Fiji Islands, and from present time-and finding that his own there to Samoa, where we will probabfailing health would prevent his ever again assuming the responsibilities of such a school, Father Bond deeded the here was at that time in Honolulu a curist, or visitor, in the person of Miss Hanrietta Whittier, a relative of the well-known poet of that name, who, on being interviewed by the officers of sume charge of the school, selecting her own assistants. A board of managers was appointed, and the school reopened October 21, 1889.

"The number of pupils admitted the first year was 21, and in the following year 29, and the attendance in 1891-92 appears to have been 60.

The building had been improved and extended after the close of the first vear. Various changes have taken place in the corps of teachers. The faculty now numbers 5. The attendance the past year was 44, and at present date is 35, a number being unable to enter for want of ability to pay the moder ate charge of \$50 a year for board and tuition. It is not to be supposed that this charge will cover the current expenses of the establishment.

We were at first limited by the Havalian Board to this Island in the distribution of our circulars. This, of course, retarded the work. But now that the distribution is more widespread, the receipts are more encour-aging. Mr. C. M. Cooke has most generously remembered us with \$1,000. Probably about \$900 of this will be put on the endowment fund, which will make about \$1,000 for that purpose in the Kohala treasury. We have not yet heard from those appointed in other places to receive funds, but we have had so many encouraging answers to our circulars and so many promises of money, that we feel that we have prosfriends, and we are very glad of this season or in the night and much incon-opportunity to thank them for all their venience and suffering must be borne

sympathy and helpfulness.

MAY BELL TRUETT.

### Will Duplicate Cruise of the Casco.

From Santa Barbara All Through the Southern Seas and Back to Honolulu

The cruise of the Casco through the South Seas is to be duplicated. The eacht Rover has sailed from San Francisco on a seven months' voyage, which will include the Marquesas Islands, Tahiti, the Fiji group, Samoa and Hawail. There will be four passengers on board-Mr. R. B. Fithlan, owner of the Rover; Mrs. Fithian, Miss Kate Clement, the well known society young woman of Oakland and Mr. George Loughborough of Frisco. The Rover will sail from San Francisco to Monterey, to enable her passengers to witness the polo game between Santa



YACHT ROVER.

Barbara and Burlingame and then proceed to Santa Barbara to take on board Mrs. Fithian.

The sea home of the voyagers is fitted up in most luxuriant style, particularly the apartments for the ladies. The cabin is six feet six inches in height and very roomy. The apartment of the owner and his wife is finished in delicate shades of green and pink. The floor is covered with soft carpet, matching the walls.

Miss Clement's apartment is a trifle smaller than the first stateroom, but exquisitely furnished. On the opposite side of the gangway, forward, is Mr. Fithian's dressing room, while aft is Mr. Loughborough's apartment.

Just abaft of amidships is a spacious gallery and the quarters of the captain and his men.

The cabin, where most of the voyagers' time will be spent, is handsomely fitted up in gorgeous red. In one corner is a piano, securely fastened, and on the opposite side a book case. Between the two is a gun case, which will be filled with rifles and revolvers. Captain Zachary will sail in command. He sailed her before when she

was the sealing schooner Baranoff. "From Santa Barbara we will sail direct to the Marquesas Islards," said Mr. Fithian to a San Francisco reporter. "Then we will proceed to Tahiti through the Paumotos group, which abound with pearl fisheries. From Taly stay a month. Our last port of call will be Honolulu, whence we reproperty, in trust, to the Hawaiian turn to San Francisco. Mrs. Fithian Beard. By a singular coincidence, is a splendid photographer and will take three cameras. With the pictures we take and the data we collect I shall write a book, giving little details of the voyage, ordinarily overlooked. the Hawaiian Board, consented to as- We expect to return here in March, in time to go to the Paris Exposition."

Mr. Fithian is well known in clubdom. He was born in New York, but spent considerable time abroad. Seven years ago he struck Santa Barbara. and he and his brother have lived there ever since, cultivating the olive and the vine. Mrs. Fithian is the granddaughter of the late W. W. Stow, and is very popular in society.

### NO SUPPORT FOR BOERS.

BERLIN, Aug. 29.—The Cologne Zeltung, in an inspired article on the demand of the Boers for the abrogation of British suzerainty, says that the South African Republic places itself in the worst imaginable position by making such a demand. The paper adds that the Boers alone prevent the settlement of the dispute, and that if war should result from their action the Transvaal would be even morally quite isolated.

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